

GYPSY SMITH HAS ENORMOUS CROWD

Hundreds in Overflow Vainly Seek Admission to Tabernacle.

SENATOR IS A CONVERT

Macfarland Corrects Impression as to Disposal of Offerings.

With every available foot of space in the tabernacle at Sixteenth and V streets taken by interested hearers, and with hundreds standing on the outside clamoring for admission, Gypsy Smith, Jr., last night preached to one of the most responsive audiences of his campaign.

Interest in the meetings of the evangelist, who has been telling the story of man's salvation and how it may be accomplished, to thousands of Washingtonians each night for weeks, is growing daily, and last night reached the high-water mark.

There were forty-four conversions, among them being Senator Henry L. Myers of Montana.

An appeal for funds was made by Henry B. F. Macfarland, who also corrected the rumor that the evangelist received a part of each collection. Until Sunday night a free-will offering will be taken up at each service.

A Wonderful Personality. "A wonderful personality," one gentleman with three attractive young women replied in answer to the question of one of the three, a small brunette with a handkerchief clutched lightly in one hand, and the traces of recent tears in her animated face. "What is it that holds them?" Two young colored women who had been standing at the entrance at one side of the choir, where it was impossible to see the speaker, waited patiently as the big crowd left and made their way into the center of the tabernacle to see the man who had stirred them.

In the course of the sermon the evangelist said: "There are many who are saying 'Good-by to God who will cry to Him when some calamity or sorrow comes. What is more calamity than the shipwreck of a soul? You may have your own opinions and wreck your life. You may doubt Christ and God, but if you won't prove it, you are a fool. If you play with fire, you will be burned. If you go wrong here, you will have hell here and hereafter. What do you know about God and His plans? Most of you who are criticizing God and His word, do not know the first thing about the Bible. Do not fool with sin, for you will have to pay.'"

Three Classes of Sinners. As the last sentence was spoken the evangelist raised his voice and thundered it at the audience. A moment of silence followed and then the crowd broke out in loud applause.

"There are some folks here who have trifled so long with sin, fed their passions, and entertained doubts so long, that they feel like the hopeless people of my text, that all hope is taken away. You are saying 'Why didn't I throttle the passion?' 'Why have I made this mistake?' Listen, friend, God's grace and God's mercy are far reaching. Give Him a chance. "Outside of the Christians here there are three classes of people. First, those who are held by some passion or appetite; second, those who are utterly indifferent to Jesus Christ; third, those who are skeptical about the claims of the Christian religion. Tonight if you are not a Christian you belong to one or the other of these three classes."

Told of Woolley.

"Take the first class. Men are bound by their own passions. Their will power has been weakened by years of yielding to their appetites. They are unable to free themselves from the power of passion." The evangelist told the story John G. Woolley, who was held down by his appetite for drink, who had reached the place where he thought God did not care for him. "His family had prayed constantly for him. Finally he reached the place where he ceased relying on himself and put his case in God's hands, and was saved, and became a great power for righteousness and temperance in this country," he said.

"Then there is the second class, those who are indifferent. They don't

seem to care about their souls. Their heads are so empty that they wouldn't drown if they fell into the ocean. There was a time when you were not indifferent. But you have stifled all feeling. Your heart has become like leather through repeated rejections of the claims of Christ. God has invested something in every man's life. There are men and women here tonight who God only knows how they might be used if they surrendered their lives to Christ.

"How can you be indifferent to sin, to righteousness, to judgment and to God's mercy—indifferent to the tender interest and prayers and tears of your loved ones—indifferent to eternity with all its issues of heaven and hell?"

Accept Many Mysteries.

"There is the third class, the skeptical. Most men who say they do not believe, and can not understand are not sincere. You can not expect to understand all about God. If you do not believe in God, and do not try to find out you are a fool.

"You do not believe the supernatural, neither can you explain this electric light, nor the seat on which you are sitting.

"You believe the world goes around, but you have never seen it move. You accept hundreds of things every day that you can not understand. "That great scientist, Romanes, who had not prayed for twenty-five years, because his mind would not let him, fought his way back through a process of pure reasoning, but he was willing to experiment by faith as he went along. Listen to this man, at whose intellect the world marveled. He said, 'The doctrines of the incarnation and the Trinity seemed to me most absurd in my agnostic days, but now I see in them no rational difficulty at all.'"

"Lord Kelvin, who was recognized as the master of science in the British empire, and some say of the world, was nearly ninety years old, and some one asked him what he considered his greatest discovery, and he said: 'That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief.'"

"I have seen men changed from drunken bums into respectable citizens, and I know God is true, because I have seen His work. "If you claim to be an honest man, then I claim for you Jesus Christ. Faith in unseen things and things unproven to the perception are a daily necessity. God does not ask me to believe, with the intellect, but to trust Him with my heart."

HONOR WASHINGTON

With Wives, Masons Celebrate His Birthday at Banquet.

American flags, red, white and blue lights, and palms, decorated the banquet hall at Masonic temple last night, where 300 Masons and their wives celebrated Washington's Birthday.

The banquet was served by the ladies of the congregation of the Universalist Church. The committee in charge included Mrs. Leonard P. Steuart, Past Master; Leonard P. Steuart, Past Master; James S. McCarthy and Harry E. Huntberry.

Addresses were made by Senator Charles E. Townsend of Michigan; former Governor Alexander H. Dockery of Missouri; the Rev. Abram Simon and Judge James W. Whittem, grand master of the Masons of the District. Marx E. Kahn presided. The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Paul D. Laddin.

EXPECT VISITORS TO AID MEMORIAL FUND

Headquarters Downtown May Be Opened to Receive Cash for Washington Tribute.

Opening of temporary headquarters in the downtown section next week, to give the thousands of inauguration visitors opportunity to contribute to the George Washington Memorial Hall fund, is being considered by Mrs. Henry F. Dimock.

The fund is now nearing the \$400,000 mark. More than four times that amount is necessary.

Living thousands of miles from America, in war-ridden England, Albert Morris has sent 10 cents to Mrs. Dimock, to pay for a brick in the proposed memorial hall, to be erected at Sixth and C streets northwest.

Brother Sent Contribution. The contribution was forwarded through his brother, Ricardo B. Morris, of East Pittsburgh, who also sent \$1 to the memorial fund. Mrs. Dimock, in charge of the funds, expressed gratification today that scores of Americans here and in various States were prompted by the patriotic celebrations yesterday to send contributions to the memorial for the Father of His Country.

Mrs. Dimock made another appeal to the children of Washington to send her ten cents and get one of the little buttons, which read, "This Means a Brick for the George Washington Memorial Hall."

"If enough children contribute," said Mrs. Dimock, "we will have a room in the building devoted exclusively to child life."

The following contributions were received today: Mrs. Henry C. Perkins, 1701 Connecticut avenue, \$100; Mrs. Garrett A. Hobart, Paterson, N. J., \$250; Mrs. John W. Thompson, 1419 I street northwest, \$25; Mrs. Charles Duntun, Plymouth apartments, \$25; Mrs. Mary L. Hastings, Flint, Mich., \$25; Edwin Hale, Richmond, \$10; Mrs. Louise Thorne, Rutherford, N. J., \$5, and Miss Dorothy Thorne, \$5.

A. S. Daggett, 201 East Capitol street, \$2; Mason Terry New York city, \$1; Miss Annette Chapin, Chicago school teacher, \$1.10; Mrs. Rose F. Gibson, 524 Tenth street southwest, \$1; Albert Morris, Staffordshire, England, 10 cents, and Alice L. Coulston, West Philadelphia, 10 cents.

NORTH DAKOTANS CELEBRATE.

The twenty-eighth anniversary of the admission of North Dakota to the union was observed by the North Dakota State Association of the District with a banquet at the Ebbett last night. Motion pictures, vocal solos by Miss Grace Wilson and humorous stories by Robert W. Farrar, featured the program. Dancing followed the banquet. John M. Hancock, president of the association, was toastmaster. The committee on arrangements consisted of Miss Grace Wilson, Mrs. Marie Baldwin; Mr. Farrar, Dr. W. P. Patten, James Thompson, Jr., Edwin W. Deming, Larin C. Nelson, Mark J. Hammet and R. S. Towle.

C. H. BUTLER'S NAME FORGED TO CHECKS

Bellboy in New York Republican Club Arrested—Two \$25 Orders Cashed.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—Charged with forging the name of Charles H. Butler, of Washington, formerly reporter of the United States Supreme Court, to two checks for \$25 each, Frank Gardner, twenty years old, a bellboy at the Republican Club, was arrested by Detective Fishel early today.

The police are looking for two other youths said by Gardner to have assisted him in cashing the checks. Gardner was arrested in front of 821 Sixth avenue, when waiting for a messenger boy to come back from the Republican Club with the proceeds of a \$100 check drawn on the Battery Bank, to which the name of Louis Gunther, editor of the Financial World, is alleged to have been forged.

Mr. Butler has been staying for some time at the Republican Club. With the exception of Colonel House, he is said to be President Wilson's most intimate friend. Mr. Butler is a Republican, but graduated from Princeton, and his intimacy with the president began there. His father was William Allen Butler, a noted lawyer.

Gardner told the police that another youth obtained the blank checks from Mr. Butler's room in the club, but admitted that he forged the check, it is said. He asserted that a third youth cashed the checks at the club. The checks were returned from the Riggs National Bank, in Washington, marked "forged."

When the messenger boy appeared with the \$100 check purporting to be drawn by Gunther, Detective Fishel went with him to Sixth avenue, where Gardner was waiting. Gardner's home is at 816 Sixth avenue.

Butler, since severing his connection with the Supreme Court, has been practicing law in Washington. He resides at 1535 I street.

POST NOT TO MOVE.

The Washington Post Company has reconsidered its intention of moving the Post to Vermont avenue as indicated by a lease placed on record today by Wilton J. Lambert on behalf of the Post, by which Henry K. Willard leases the present building occupied by The Post to The Post for a period of five years from June 1, 1917, at an annual rental of \$3,000 per year with the privilege of a further term of five years at a rental of \$1,500 per year. The document was executed by Edward B. McLean, as president of The Post Company, Mr. Willard being represented by Attorney A. A. Hoehling, Jr. It is set forth in the agreement that the lease which was made twenty-five years ago between Henry A. Willard and the former owners of The Post, Beriah Wilkins and Frank Hutton, shall continue in full force until June 1, 1917.

OUTLINES NAVY PRINCIPLES

Assistant Secretary Roosevelt Addresses Washington Order.

Outlining the principles on which the United States navy was founded, Assistant Secretary of the Navy Franklin D. Roosevelt, the principal speaker at the annual banquet of the Order of Washington at Rauscher's last night, recited the incidents and purposes which resulted in the navy's birth in 1794. Alfred Roy Thompson, of the consular service, and the Rev. James L. Gordon also spoke.

Dr. Gordon declared he was sure George Washington would not have seen troops march across the soil of Belgium. Washington stood for the church, the home, the truth, and patriotism, Dr. Gordon declared.

Mr. Thompson recited personal recollections of Salomon, and R. D. Shepherd gave a number of recitations. Admiral Charles H. Stockton, president of the organization, was toastmaster.

A toast was given to President Wilson and resolutions were adopted pledging the support of the order to the President.

ENGINEERS COMPLETE.

Twenty-two applicants entered today upon a competitive examination for appointment to the position of assistant electrical engineer of the District, made vacant by the promotion of Warren B. Hadley to electrical engineer. The questions were prepared by Walter C. Allen, former electrical engineer and now executive officer of the Public Utilities Commission. The examination was conducted by Daniel E. Gargney, chief clerk of the Engineer Department. The position pays \$2,000 a year. Announcement of the result will be made within a week or ten days.

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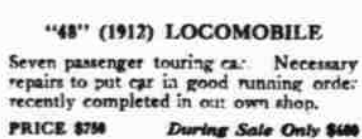
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